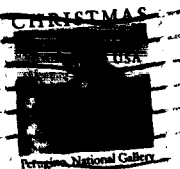


Sincerely,

Allison Rivera



To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing to you in regards to: 98N-1230; 96P-0418; And 97P-0197. The practice of forced molting of Hens is abominable. Aside from the enormous cruelty inflicted, the increased risk of contamination as a result of such a practice makes it imperative that nothing less than an immediate ban of forced molting be implemented. The FDA MUST do more than merely attach "warning" labels on egg cartons and regulate refrigeration temperatures. The American people, the very consumers who you are meant to "protect" - ME... demand an end to this practice which "knowingly" destroys the immune systems of Hens which in turn predisposes the birds and their eggs to Salmonella. Do you truly want to pass by this issue without doing anything truly tangible (BAN) to eradicate the epidemic of diseased eggs?

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